

## **PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN**

### **Minutes and Informal Instructions of the Open Meeting of Friday, May 14, 2010**

The Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (Commission) met as noticed. Present were Chairperson Callisto, Commissioner Meyer, and Commissioner Azar.

#### **Minutes**

The minutes of the Open Meeting of Thursday, April 29, 2010, were laid over at the request of the Commission.

The Commission approved the minutes of the Open Meeting of Tuesday, May 11, 2010.

#### **1-AC-231 – Wind Siting Rules**

The Commission approved the Notice of Hearings and modified and approved the draft rules regarding the siting of wind energy systems.

The Commission directed staff to make the required filings in this docket.

#### **4220-CE-169 – Northern States Power Company – Wisconsin, an Xcel Energy Company, Request for Approval to Construct a Biomass Gasifier at its Bay Front Generating Facility**

#### **Discussion of Order Point 1 of Commission's Final Decision dated 12/22/09**

The Commission indicated to staff that a data request should be sent to Xcel Energy requesting information regarding the increased costs associated with the construction of the Bay Front Generating Facility project.

#### **6680-AU-114 – Application for Approval of an Affiliated Interest Agreement Between Wisconsin Power and Light Company and Interstate Power and Light Company Regarding Transfer of Supply**

This item was laid over at the request of the Commission.

**9300-CE-100 – Application of Forward Energy LLC for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Construct a Wind Electric Generation Facility and Associated High Voltage Electric Transmission Facilities, to be Located in Dodge and Fond du Lac Counties**

**9554-CE-100 – Application of Ledge Wind Energy, LLC for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Construct a 150 MW Wind Electric Generation Facility and Associated Facilities, to be Located in the Towns of Morrison, Holland, Wrightstown and Glenmore, Brown County**

**9554-EI-100 – Complaint of Ann and Jason Wirtz, Seeking Compensation for Injuries Sustained as a Result of the Operations of the Forward Wind Energy Center**

This item was laid over at the request of the Commission.

**5-GF-144 – Request by Wisconsin Electric Power Company and Wisconsin Gas Company for a Three-Year Extension of its Low Income Pilot Program Through March 2013**

The Commission accepted withdrawal of the request to extend the Low Income Pilot Program through March 2013 filed on behalf of Wisconsin Electric Power Company and Wisconsin Gas Company, d/b/a We Energies.

The Commission directed We Energies to review the current low income program and work with staff on objectives for the development of a new program. The Commission further directed We Energies to submit the proposed objectives to the Commission for review prior to the development of any new plan.

The Commission extended the current program for one year to allow for the orderly termination of the low income program, subject to conditions.

The Commission directed the Division of Water, Compliance and Consumer Affairs to draft an order consistent with its discussion.

**6630-CE-302 – Application of Wisconsin Electric Power Company for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Construct a Wind Electric Generation Facility and Associated Electric Facilities, to be Located in the Towns of Randolph and Scott, Columbia County, Wisconsin**

**Request by Wisconsin Electric Power Company for Commission Approval of its Plan to Comply with Order Point 21 of the Final Decision**

The Commission approved the request filed on behalf of Wisconsin Electric Power Company (WEPCO) for approval of WEPCO's plan to comply with Order Point 21 of the Final Decision dated January 22, 2010, with regard to the Smits and Regnerus families.

The Commission directed the Gas and Energy Division to draft an order consistent with its discussion.

**9300-EI-100 – Investigation on Commission's Own Motion of Impacts or Activities Related to the Operation of Energy Markets by the Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.**

**Discussion of Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc. (Midwest ISO), Injection-Withdrawal Straw Proposal, the Transmission Owners' Alternative Unique Purpose Projects Proposal, and the Organization of MISO States (OMS) Hybrid Cost Allocation Proposal for New Transmission Projects in Order to Determine Preference for the OMS and the Midwest ISO**

The Commission extended its delegation of authority to Chairperson Callisto to May 14, 2010, to provide direction to the Commission's representatives during the Regional Expansion Criteria and Benefits Task Force deliberations.

Commissioner Azar abstained.

The Commission adjourned the meeting at 11:27 a.m.

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Sandra J. Paske  
Secretary to the Commission